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"And Jesus said to him, 'If you can! Everything is possible for one who believes.'" (Mark 9:23)



*Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church is a traditional Lutheran Church, faithful to God's Word and His Sacraments. We equip God's people to serve, love, and encourage one another as we grow in our personal relationship with Christ. We reach out to the community as beacons of light, sharing the love of God in Christ Jesus, our Savior.*

**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
SEPTEMBER 15, 2024**

*Christ Jesus Delivers Us from Sin, Death and the Devil*

Those who teach the Word of God “*will be judged with greater strictness*” (James 3:1) because it is by the Word that saving faith is obtained, whereas false doctrine always threatens to destroy Christian faith and life. The tongue “*boasts of great things,*” whether for good or evil (James 3:5). In fallen man, “*it is a restless evil, full of deadly poison*” (James 3:8). But anyone who bridles his tongue with the Word of God, who “*does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man*” (James 3:2). It is Christ who opens His ear to the voice of His Father, so that, with “*the tongue of those who are taught,*” He is able to sustain the weary “*with a word*” (Is. 50:4-5). Entrusting Himself to His Father, even to death, He is not put to shame but is vindicated in His resurrection (Is. 50:6-9). By His faith and faithfulness, He casts out the “*mute and deaf spirit*” from us (Mark 9:25). He has compassion on us and helps us, so that we are not destroyed but cleansed from every evil and raised up from death to life (Mark 9:22-27).

PLEASE NOTE - Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church offers assisted listening devices for our members and guests this morning. If you would like to use one, please speak with an usher.

Guest Book: If you are a visitor, welcome! Please sign our guest book on the cabinet below the tract display in the entryway. Thank you!

*Flowers are placed to the Glory of God by Michael & Jaana Fogt.*

**SERVING AMONG US TODAY**

**The Elder: Matt Perkovich**

**The Ushers: Andrew Lund & Mark Reetz**

**The Organist: Carl Kishline**

**The Acolyte: Andrew Vetter**

**DIVINE SERVICE – SETTING III**

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*If you are unable to, or have trouble standing, please feel free to remain seated at the times we stand.*

**GREETINGS**

**OPENING HYMN . . . . . “O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe” LSB #666**

*(Please stand)*

**CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION . . . . .page 184-185**

**SERVICE OF THE WORD**

**INTROIT - Psalm 31:14-16; antiphon: v. 24**



Be strong, and let your heart take | courage,\*  
all you who wait | for the LORD!  
But I trust in you, | O LORD;\*  
I say, “You | are my God.”  
My times are | in your hand;\*  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my perse- | cutors!  
Make your face shine on your | servant;\*  
save me in your | steadfast love!  
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
and to the Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.  
Be strong, and let your heart take | courage,\*  
all you who wait | for the LORD!

**KYRIE + GLORIA IN EXCELSIS . . . . . page 186-189**

**SALUTATION . . . . .page 189**

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray . . . Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and

bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

**OLD TESTAMENT READING - Isaiah 50:4-10**

<sup>4</sup>The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary. Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught. <sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backward. <sup>6</sup>I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting.

<sup>7</sup>But the Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame. <sup>8</sup>He who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me. <sup>9</sup>Behold, the Lord GOD helps me; who will declare me guilty? Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

<sup>10</sup>Who among you fears the LORD and obeys the voice of his servant? Let him who walks in darkness and has no light trust in the name of the LORD and rely on his God.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL - Psalm 34:9, 19, alt**



Fear the LORD, | you his saints,\*  
for those who fear him lack | nothing!  
Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,\*  
but the LORD delivers him out | of them all.

**EPISTLE READING - James 3:1-12**

<sup>1</sup>Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. <sup>2</sup>For we all stumble in many

ways, and if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. <sup>3</sup>If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. <sup>4</sup>Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. <sup>5</sup>So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things.

How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! <sup>6</sup>And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. <sup>7</sup>For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, <sup>8</sup>but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. <sup>9</sup>With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. <sup>10</sup>From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. <sup>11</sup>Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? <sup>12</sup>Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand)*

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE . . . . .page 190**

**HOLY GOSPEL - Mark 9:14-29**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 9<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

**C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>14</sup>When they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. <sup>15</sup>And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to [Jesus] and greeted him. <sup>16</sup>And he asked them, “What are you arguing about with them?” <sup>17</sup>And someone from the crowd answered him, “Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. <sup>18</sup>And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able.” <sup>19</sup>And he answered them, “O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you?

Bring him to me.”<sup>20</sup>And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth.<sup>21</sup>And Jesus asked his father, “How long has this been happening to him?” And he said, “From childhood.”<sup>22</sup>And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us.”<sup>23</sup>And Jesus said to him, “If you can! All things are possible for one who believes.”<sup>24</sup>Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, “I believe; help my unbelief!”<sup>25</sup>And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, “You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again.”<sup>26</sup>And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, “He is dead.”<sup>27</sup>But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose.<sup>28</sup>And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, “Why could we not cast it out?”<sup>29</sup>And he said to them, “This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

**APOSTLE’S CREED . . . . .page 192**

**JESUS LOVES ME . . . . . LSB #588**

Jesus loves me! This I know,  
 For the Bible tells me so.  
 Little ones to Him belong;  
 They are weak, but He is strong. Refrain

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

*(Please be seated)*

**SERMON HYMN . . . . .“Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness” LSB #849**

**SERMON . . . . . “Help My Unbelief” (Mark 9:14-29)**

*(Please stand)*

**OFFERTORY . . . . . page 192-193**

**DOXOLOGY . . . . . LSB #805**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**P:** Let us pray to the Lord:

**C:** Lord, have mercy.

**SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

*This morning we celebrate the Sacrament of the Altar, a feast of forgiveness in which we partake of the true body and blood of Christ along with the visible elements of bread and wine. The Bible gives specific instructions about the Lord's Supper. As it can be received to one's spiritual blessing or to one's spiritual harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), the Lord's Table must be approached with sincere faith and a Biblical understanding. That's why all who are new to the Lutheran faith are instructed about this sacred meal before attending the Lord's Supper. Moreover, this Sacrament is also a testimony of our oneness in what we believe (1 Corinthians 10:17). All guests who wish to receive the Sacrament are asked to speak with*

*Pastor Schuldheisz or the Elder of the Day before the service.*

*(If unable to kneel, please remain standing. If you take the individual cup please wait for the pastor with the common cup to say, "Take, drink," before drinking.)*

**ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION . . . . . page 194ff**

*(Please be seated)*

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS . . . . . LSB #'s 619, 621, 623, 643**

*(Please stand)*

**NUNC DIMITTIS . . . . . page 199-200**

**THANKSGIVING . . . . .page 200**

**SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS . . . . .pages 201-202**

**BENEDICTION . . . . .page 202**

**CLOSING HYMN . . . . . "Preserve Your Word, O Savior" LSB #658**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2024	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	9:30 a.m. - D.S. IV 10:45 a.m. - Adult Bible Study & Children's Sunday School
<b>MONDAY</b>	6:30 p.m. - Confirmation
<b>TUESDAY</b>	10:00 a.m. - Women's Bible Study
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	
<b>THURSDAY</b>	
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Office Closed
<b>SATURDAY</b>	
<b>UPCOMING EVENTS</b>	9/26 - Sewing 9/28 - Apple Cider Squeeze 10/9 - Senior Saints 10/20 - Pumpkin Pie Fest

OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE FOR: September 8, 2024	
<b>OFFERING: \$10,035.51</b>	<b>ATTENDANCE CHURCH SERVICE: 110</b>
<b>SPECIAL: \$9.00</b>	<b>ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: 29</b>
<b>PRESCHOOL: \$455.00</b>	<b>YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: 16</b>
<b>SUNDAY SCHOOL: \$6.22</b>	
<b>TOTAL DEPOSIT: \$10,505.73</b>	

ELDER ASSIGNMENTS	
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Brien Lindstrom (206-300-8955)	DeLaPaz - Hunsberger
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John Lee (253-653-0388)	Lundin - Riveness
David Vetter (253-240-7289)	Roland - Young



## EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY - JOIN US!

- **Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class** - Pastor is leading us in a study on The Book of Romans
- **Women's Bible Study** - Tuesdays at 10:00am in the conference room
- **Men's Bible Study** - Second Saturday of the month, 8-9 a.m., in the fellowship hall. We are studying the book of Proverbs.

### CONGREGATIONAL

- **Message from Melina Mantey:** Thank you for the kinds notes of thanks and the money. It has been a privilege serving the Beautiful Savior congregation for the past 11 years. I wish you all well!
- **Portals of Prayer** have been distributed into your box. If you are not currently signed up to receive one, extra copies are out in the Narthex and out by the church office.
- **The Special Operations Fund (SOF) Rick Woolard Scholarship** in memory of SGT Thomas Allison has been established at Concordia Christian Academy (CCA). The scholarship is awarded annually to one active military family with a student enrolled at CCA and the highest financial need. If you feel called to contribute to the SOF Rick Woolard Scholarship, please mail checks payable to Concordia Christian Academy with a comment/note designating the donation for the SGT Thomas Allison scholarship to: Concordia Christian Academy, 202 E. 56th Street Tacoma, WA 98404. Please reach out to Pat Allison or Ron Foreman with any questions.

### PRESCHOOL

- **The Preschool is still enrolling for the 2024-25 school year.** Talk to Kathy Heddlesten if you have any questions.

### FELLOWSHIP

- **Our Pumpkin Pie Fest is coming up next month on October 20<sup>th</sup>.** There is a sign-up sheet by the drinking fountain for those who want to contribute!

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

- **Today's Lesson summary:** Today, we will study "Silence before a Son." Doubting the angel's announcement of his coming son, Zechariah finds himself silenced until the boy's birth. Upon writing "His name is John," Zechariah regains his voice and prophesies concerning his son's work.
- **Our Apple Cider Squeeze will be held this year on September 28<sup>th</sup>.** We will be starting at the church at 11am with a hotdog lunch. We do need donations of apples as well as empty, clean plastic jugs for the cider. If you are able to bring something, please leave the donations in the kitchen. Thank you!

### LWML

- **Mite change can be brought anytime and put into the Big Mite Box in the Narthex.**

## LUTHERAN RESOURCES

- **DAILY LUTHERAN CHAPEL SERVICE...** You can listen to LIVE chapel services weekdays at 9 a.m. Central from Concordia Theological Seminary-Fort Wayne, IN. You can listen live at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org) and on-demand at [issuesetc.org/kramerchapel](http://issuesetc.org/kramerchapel).
- **Thoughts on Stewardship** - Mark 9:24 - "Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, 'I believe; help my unbelief!'" Haven't we often felt like this! And notice that Jesus does not throw the man out because of his weakness of faith: He still has pity, and He still blesses the man. But neither does Jesus leave people in weakness of faith. He blesses us and calls us to a deeper faith, as He did to the disciples in the boat on the storm-tossed sea. How does our faith grow? By hearing the Word of God. What does our faith lead to as it grows? A godly life lived in thanksgiving to our Lord.
- **Thoughts on Witness and Outreach** - Mark 9:14-29: In today's Gospel reading, Jesus demonstrated His divine power over Satan and his wicked angels. Satan is still very active in our world, but we can believe in and share the Good News that Jesus has overcome the devil and will protect His people from Satan's evil attacks. The One who is in us is greater than the one who is in the world (1 John 4:4).

## IN OUR PRAYERS

### CANCER

- **Keela** (M. Gulbranson) - in maintenance treatment for breast cancer, and dealing with side effects from treatment
- **Karen Kramp** - (member) prayers for healing after cancer surgery
- **Joe Kelly** - (Kramp) prayers for continued healing after cancer treatment
- **Warren** (Schliebe) - thyroid cancer has returned
- **Marion** (De La Paz) - breast cancer
- **Dorthe-Lind Thornton** (Schill) - breast cancer
- **Jon Dotson** (L. Miller) - Terminal cancer
- **Jeff Horne** (K. Kramp) - cancer has returned
- **John Porter** (B. Nettnin brother) - recently diagnosed with cancer of the ear
- **Veronica** (Mendes) - diagnosed with breast cancer
- **John** (Westmark) - diagnosed with acute leukemia
- **Lenise R.** (L. Howard cousin) - cancer is in remission, will continue on cancer maintenance medication
- **Shanna Davis** (Young) - battling cancer
- **Mike Ramsey** (brother of C. Ramsey) - diagnosis of pancreatic cancer, which has spread to other organs
- **Angela Firman** (Jannsen) - stage 4 breast cancer
- **Ron Schill** (member) - prostate cancer
- **Don Schill** (R. Schill brother) - diagnosed with bladder cancer
- **John Bratek** (M. McNally brother) - diagnosed with liver cancer

## SICK AND HEALING

- Bonnie Blinsmon (member) - recovering from a broken tibia

## STRENGTH & GUIDANCE

- Louise Dunn (member) - guidance while in Zambia

## BEREAVEMENT

- Family of Brenda Holmes (Clemans) - as they mourn her passing on 8/2
- Family of Connie Combs (Hohnstein) - as they mourn her passing

## THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE

- Jasper (Foreman) - successful hernia surgery on July 10<sup>th</sup>, he is healing well

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- Charlie & Kimi Janssen - September 18<sup>th</sup>
- Brien & Lisa Lindstrom - September 18<sup>th</sup>
- Ben & Lisa Breum - September 19<sup>th</sup>
- Mike & Shelby Davis - September 20<sup>th</sup>

## SHUT-IN MEMBERS

Ken Giese

Judy Rittierodt

Helen Meyer

Irene Feller

## MEN & WOMEN SERVING OUR COUNTRY

### US ARMY

- Daniel Duncan
- Gerad Nelson (Lee) Special Forces
- Jimmy Soto (De La Paz)
- Ryan Struss
- Conor Curry
- Sean Sobus (Smith)
- Douglas Smith, SSG
- Aaron Spratt
- Anna Grace Adams (member)

### US MARINES

- Chaplain Mario Ancira, Lt.

### US AIR FORCE

- Curtis Sinewe, Pilot
- Greg Adams, II (member)
- Michael Broch, Major (Hunsberger)
- David Brumbaugh, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt.
- Robert Paz, Col. (DeLaPaz)
- Casi Soto (DeLaPaz)
- Sean Wilson, Captain (member)
- Kirsten Bibel (Schill)
- Braden Bibel (Schill)

### US NAVY

- Logan Tiefel (member)
- Alex Klein (Schill)

*For prayer requests, please contact Linda Howard (253.927.9602) or Kathy Heddlesten (253.691.8292), and the BSLC Prayer Chain will be activated.*



# APPLE CIDER SQUEEZE

September 28th

Hot dog lunch starts  
at 11am!

PLEASE BRING A BAG OR BOX OF APPLES, ALONG WITH  
CLEAN PLASTIC JUGS FOR FILLING WITH CIDER. DONATIONS  
CAN BE LEFT IN THE KITCHEN. PLEASE JOIN US FOR THIS  
FUN ANNUAL EVENT. RSVP ON THE SIGN-UP SHEET BY THE  
WATER FOUNTAIN